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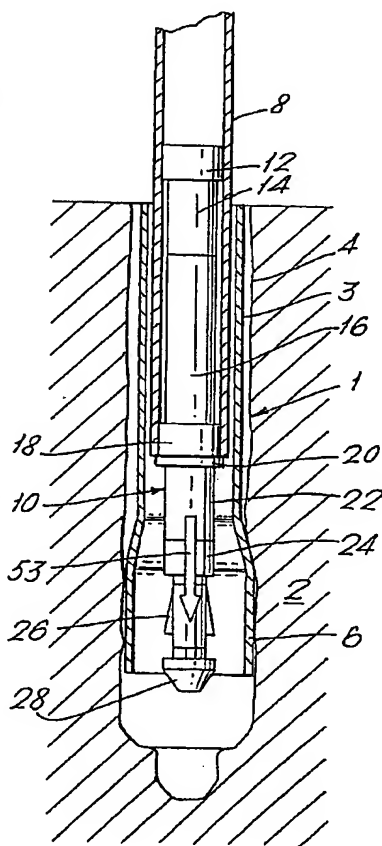
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(57) Abstract: A method of creating a borehole in an earth formation is provided. The method comprises the steps of drilling a section of the borehole and lowering an expandable tubular element into the borehole whereby a lower portion of the tubular element extends into the drilled borehole section, radially expanding said lower portion of the tubular element so as to form a casing in the drilled borehole section, and separating an upper portion of the tubular element from said lower portion so as to allow the separated upper portion to be moved relative to said lower portion.



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